Module: 3 Basic Camera Shots

**Target Question:**

Is it true that the most common way to film or videotape any scene is to use long shots, medium shots, and close-ups? Is it true that using long shots, medium shots, and close-ups is a very good way to cover all of the angles of the main characters in a scene?

**Target Task 1:**

1. Prove that using the 3 basic camera shots is the most common way to film or videotape any scene.

• The most common way to shoot a scene is a medium of long shot because it can show the environment/set which may be important to the story line and character.

I believe using the 3 basic camera shots is the most common way to film or videotape a scene because they can incorporate all of the important parts of the scene such as the main character, environment, and facial expressions that may be important

2. Prove that using long shots, medium shots, and close-ups is a very good way to cover all of the angles

of the main characters in a scene.

• I believe that using long shots, medium shots, and close-ups is a very good way to cover all of the angles of the main characters in a scene because it shows parts of the scene that may be important to character such as a close up shows emotions that are seen on the face, long shot shows the character and the whole environment which may be important to the story or character and the medium shot show the character from the waist/knees up.

**Research:**

Find two sources (subject matter expert/teacher or another student) that prove your belief (hypothesis/thesis statement).

Source 1=Shannon Perry

Source 2= Bailee

**Opposite Test:**

Design an experiment/test in which you try to prove that using 3 basic camera shots is not a good way to cover all of the angles of the main character in a scene. Find another way to cover all the angles in a scene.

Experiment: In my experiment instead of using the 3 basic camera shots, I tried to cover all of the angles in scene by only using medium shot.

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Results: This didn’t work because i couldn't fit the environment and it was hard to maintain the waste up at all times and i could not incorporate other characters as much and could not see facial expressions as well

**nalyze your findings and Draw Conclusions:**

After my experiments (proving the Target Task) and research, I believe my hypothesis to be true because using the 3 basic camera shots is the most efficient way to shoot a scene because they show all aspects of scene that may be important to the film or clip